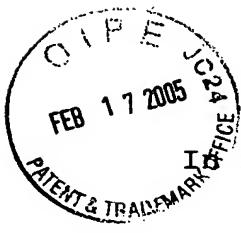


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In the Office Action dated February 2, 2005 in the above-referenced patent application, the Examiner has required restriction to one of two inventions pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121. The Examiner has distinguished the following inventions: claims 1-21 and 27-32 (Group I) drawn to an apparatus assembly structure; and claims 22-26 (Group II) drawn to a method of attaching a slider to a web.

In response to the restriction requirement, the Applicant elects, with traverse, to prosecute claims 1-21 and 27-32 of Group I.

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